

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 8-14 and 16 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 8, 13 and 16 are amended; and claims 5-7 and 15 are canceled. No new matter is added. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiner Jankus in the July 19, 2007 personal interview. Applicant's separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

I. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 2 and 4-16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over publication "Techniques for Interactive Raster Graphics" to Baudelaire et al. (Baudelaire). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 recites, *inter alia*, "determining coordinates of a control point and a mid point of an arc chord" and "defining a control point segment between the mid point of the arc chord and the control point." Independent claim 13 recites, *inter alia*, "a shape parameter module which calculates a shape parameter, based on the ratio of a distance between the mid point of the arc chord and an intersection of a control point segment and the sub-arc, and a length of the control point segment." Support for the amendment to claims 1 and 13 can be found in the specification at, for example, original claims 5-7 and 15, respectively.

As discussed during the July 19, 2007 personal interview, Baudelaire fails to teach or disclose the determining of the coordinates of a mid point of an arc chord and the defining of a control point segment between the mid point of the arc chord and the control point. Accordingly, the applied reference fails to teach or suggest the recited features of independent claims 1 and 13.

For at least these reasons, independent claims 1 and 13 and the claims dependent therefrom, are patentable over the applied references. Withdrawal of the rejection of the claims is respectfully requested.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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